doubting of His Lordships Resolution of making Impartial Justice U. H. J. the rule of His Government.

We shall Endeavour to Exert ourselves according to our Capacities in Observing your Excellency's recomendacon of Care & Circumspection in the Pening of our Laws; and will Carefully Inspect the Laws mentioned by your Excellency for Exempting Resident Owners of Vessells from the payment of publick Duties and shall be ready on our parts to amend any Defects that may be found therein. And under the Direction of Divine Providence, in a Calm & moderate Disposition apply ourselves seriously to the Consideration of all such things as shall come before us, or be thought conducive to the publick welfare according to our Severall Abilities.

Our Sincere thanks Attend your Excellency for Your obliging p. 74 Assurance, That you will use your best Endeavours in England to promote the welfare of his Lordships Tenants here, And we hope we shall not be wanting on our parts to Administer Occasions and be Assistant in Obtaining that Good end, We take leave to conclude with observing that by this Assurance We are convinced of the same good Disposition in your Excellency for the Publick good of this Province which has ever Appeared in your Noble Family, under whose Countenance & protection it was first Settled & still Subsists. And we hope may Continue to the latest Posterity.

Which Address was Subscribed by all the Members present. Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eight a Clock

Thursday Morning 15th July 1731

July 15

This House met again According to Adjournment Present as Yesterday

His Excellency the Governour by the Hono^{ble} Charles Calvert Esq^r communicates his Answer to the Address of this House.

Gentlemen.

I Return you my thanks for your most Obliging Address. You may be Assured that no one can have the Welfare of this Province more at Heart than my selfe, And I hope by my Attention thereto to Approve my selfe in some Sort worthy of the Relation which I bear to the Proprietary's Family.

Benedict Leonard Calvert

Read the Petition of Robert Lynch Languishing prisoner in Kent County Thomas Taylor in Baltemore and William Nimmo in Prince Georges County Goal and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.